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70801-56710**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL
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Transmitted herewith for filing under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) and 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) is a new utility patent application for an invention entitled:

OPTICAL DATA RECORDING MEDIUM

and invented by:

Nobuyuki TAKAMORI, Hideharu TAJIMA, Akira TAKAHASHIIf a **CONTINUATION APPLICATION**, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information: Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: _____

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Application Elements

1. Filing fee as calculated and transmitted as described below
2. Specification having 29 pages and including the following:
 - a. Descriptive Title of the Invention
 - b. Cross References to Related Applications (*if applicable*)
 - c. Statement Regarding Federally-sponsored Research/Development (*if applicable*)
 - d. Reference to Microfiche Appendix (*if applicable*)
 - e. Background of the Invention
 - f. Brief Summary of the Invention
 - g. Brief Description of the Drawings (*if drawings filed*)
 - h. Detailed Description
 - i. Claim(s) as Classified Below
 - j. Abstract of the Disclosure

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3. Drawing(s) (when necessary as prescribed by 35 USC 113)
 - a. Formal Number of Sheets 10
 - b. Informal Number of Sheets _____
4. Oath or Declaration
 - a. Newly executed (*original or copy*) Unexecuted
 - b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) (*for continuation/divisional application only*)
 - c. With Power of Attorney Without Power of Attorney
 - d. DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application,
see 37 C.F.R. 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
5. Incorporation By Reference (*usable if Box 4b is checked*)
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
6. Computer Program in Microfiche (*Appendix*)
7. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (*if applicable, all must be included*)
 - a. Paper Copy
 - b. Computer Readable Copy (*identical to computer copy*)
 - c. Statement Verifying Identical Paper and Computer Readable Copy

Accompanying Application Parts

8. Assignment Papers (*cover sheet & document(s)*)
9. 37 CFR 3.73(B) Statement (*when there is an assignee*)
10. English Translation Document (*if applicable*)
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15. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (*if foreign priority is claimed*)

16. Additional Enclosures (*please identify below*):

Japanese Priority Document

Application No. 2000-348413

Request That Application Not Be Published Pursuant To 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)

17. Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2), Applicant hereby requests that this patent application not be published pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(1). Applicant hereby certifies that the invention disclosed in this application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication of applications 18 months after filing of the application.

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An applicant who makes a request not to publish, but who subsequently files in a foreign country or under a multilateral international agreement specified in 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i), must notify the Director of such filing not later than 45 days after the date of the filing of such foreign or international application. A failure of the applicant to provide such notice within the prescribed period shall result in the application being regarded as abandoned, unless it is shown to the satisfaction of the Director that the delay in submitting the notice was unintentional.

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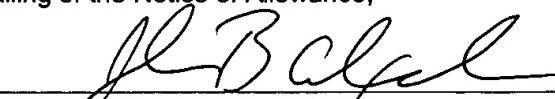
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Invention:

OPTICAL DATA RECORDING MEDIUMI hereby certify that this New U. S. Utility Application*(Identify type of correspondence)*

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STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)Applicant: Takamori et al.Application No.: Filed Herewith Filed: November 15, 2001Entitled: OPTICAL DATA RECORDING MEDIUMSharp Kabushiki Kaisha, a Corporation

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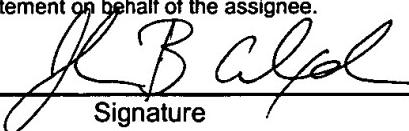
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[√] Copies of assignments or other documents in the chain of title are attached.

The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is empowered to sign this statement on behalf of the assignee.

November 15, 2001

Date



Signature

John B. Alexander

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Patent Agent (Reg. No. 48,399)

Title